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**Lt. Governor André Bauer Announces Seed Grant
Award for South Carolina Respite Coalition**

(Columbia, S.C.) Lt. Governor André Bauer announced today (June 22) that the non-profit South Carolina Respite Coalition is the recipient of a \$10,000 grant from the South Carolina Alzheimer's Resource Coordination Center (ARCC) that will support a new program to engage volunteers from churches in providing respite care and assistance to families dealing with Alzheimer's disease in Richland, Lexington, Newberry, Fairfield, Orangeburg, Calhoun, Sumter, Kershaw and Saluda counties.

"The work that the South Carolina Respite Coalition is doing is extremely important to the people in these communities who are caring for a loved one suffering from this terrible disease," said Lt. Governor Bauer. "It's a good investment in South Carolina seniors and their families and we are proud to support them with this grant."

The ARCC, part of the South Carolina Lt. Governor's Office on Aging, was created to provide statewide coordination, service system development, information and referral, and caregiver support services to individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, their families and caregivers. The South Carolina Respite Coalition works statewide to increase awareness of the need for respite care and to expand respite services available for family caregivers in the state.

For more information about the respite program supported by this ARCC grant, or about the South Carolina Respite Coalition's other programs, **contact Executive Director Susan Carlton at (803) 935-5027.**

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